

**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Application of:

MASAKA, et al.

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For: MANUFACTURING PROCESS FOR MEMBRANE-ELECTRODE ASSEMBLIES

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Date: February 9, 2004

Sir:

Prior to initial examination of the application, please amend the above-identified application as shown on the following pages: